

1. Ends Discrimination for Pre-Existing Conditions
2. Ends Dropping of Coverage for Seriously Ill
3. Ends Exorbitant Deductibles or Co-Pays
4. Ends Annual or Lifetime Caps on Coverage
5. Guarantees Insurance Renewal

A constituent recently called into my district office with this comment, “My son has been denied coverage by all private insurers because of his pre-existing condition (diabetes) which he was diagnosed with at age 4. He had health insurance for a while through his job, but was dropped by his insurance carrier as soon as he was laid off, even though my husband and I agreed to continue paying for it.” This is just one example of the lack of options available to those with pre-existing conditions. Even an upper-middle class family with the means to pay for insurance cannot secure coverage for those who really need it.

Over the last few months I have heard many stories like this, which demonstrate the critical need for healthcare reform. Before Congress moves forward, I want to make sure that you, the constituents of California’s 15th Congressional District, have the chance to make your voices heard, and to share your experiences in the current healthcare system. This is why I am hosting two live town halls on **September 13th, 2009 in two**

different locations.

I invite you to participate in these discussions of one of the most important issues of our day: healthcare reform. Please

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to find out the times and locations of the town halls.